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NOTE VERBALE DATED 7 FEBRUARY 1994 FROM THE SECRETARY-GENERAL ADDRESSED TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL

The Secretary-General presents his compliments to the President of the Security Council and, in accordance with paragraph 8 of Security Council resolution 816 (1993), has the honour to bring to his attention further information received by the United Nations Protection Force (UNPROFOR) regarding apparent violations of the ban on flights in the airspace of Bosnia and Herzegovina.

Between 4 and 6 February 1994, there appear to have been 23 flights of fixed- or rotary-wing aircraft in the airspace of Bosnia and Herzegovina other than those exempted in accordance with paragraph 2 of that resolution. Details as to the itinerary of flights in this reporting period are annexed to the present note verbale.

Please note that the total number of flights assessed is now 1,377.

Annex

Information on flights in the airspace of Bosnia and Herzegovina not authorized by the United Nations Protection Force

(4-6 February 1994)

Serial No.	Date	Start	End	Remarks	Heading, speed, altitude
1377	4 Feb.	0853	1058	United Nations military observers observed a white MI-8 helicopter (tail No. T9-HAD) with blue stripes and a red cross on the sides and underneath take off from Zenica, heading south-east. The same helicopter was later observed returning to Zenica from the south-east. The unauthorized flight occurred in an area controlled by the Government of Bosnia and Herzegovina.	South-east then north-west Low Slow
1378	4 Feb.	0922	0948	United Nations military observers observed a white MI-8 helicopter with blue stripes and a red cross on the sides and underneath take off from Zenica, heading south-east. The same helicopter was later observed returning to Zenica from the south-east. The unauthorized flight occurred in an area controlled by the Government of Bosnia and Herzegovina.	South-east then north-west Low Slow
1379	4 Feb.	1050	1340	This flight began as an approved immediate MEDEVAC flight of a green MI-8 helicopter (tail No. 12369) with a Serb flag and red cross, from Pale to Zvornik. It became a violation when it proceeded without inspection from Sokolac and Zvornik. Upon departure from Zvornik, the helicopter was observed proceeding in the direction of Belgrade. The unauthorized flight occurred in an area controlled by the Government of Bosnia and Herzegovina.	North-east then south-west Low Slow
1380	4 Feb.	1105	1106	NATO fighter aircraft made a short radar and visual contact with an unidentified helicopter 10 kilometres south of Vitez. The unauthorized flight occurred in an area controlled by the Government of Bosnia and Herzegovina.	South-west Low Slow
1381	4 Feb.	1121	1122	NATO fighter aircraft made radar and visual contact with a white MI-8 helicopter with a red cross, 15 kilometres south of Zvornik. The helicopter crossed the border into the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia. The unauthorized flight occurred in an area controlled by Bosnian Serbs.	North-east Low 160 knots
1382	4 Feb.	1141	1230	AWACS made radar contact 6 kilometres south-west of Vitez, heading north-east. At 1148 hours, UNPROFOR personnel observed a dark-coloured MI-8 helicopter flying south-west of the Vitez camp, dropping coffin-sized bundles by parachute in the vicinity of the quarry. Three of the bundles had four parachutes and one bundle had two parachutes. The parachutes were red-and-white-striped. The radar contact reversed heading and contact was lost in the vicinity of Posusje. The unauthorized flight occurred in an area controlled by Bosnian Croats.	North-east then south-west Low 120 knots

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1383	4 Feb.	1259	1521	United Nations military observers observed a white MI-8 helicopter with blue stripes and a red cross on the sides and underneath taking off from Zenica, heading south-east, and it was later observed returning to Zenica from the south-east. The unauthorized flight occurred in an area controlled by the Government of Bosnia and Herzegovina.	South-east then north-west Low Slow
1384	4 Feb.	1317	1603	United Nations military observers observed a white MI-17 helicopter with blue stripes and a red cross on the sides and underneath take off from Zenica heading south-east, and it was later observed returning to Zenica from the south-east. The unauthorized flight occurred in an area controlled by the Government of Bosnia and Herzegovina.	South-east then north-west Low Slow
1385	4 Feb.	1656	1754	AWACS made radar contact 13 kilometres north-east of Posusje, heading north-east. North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) fighters investigated and made visual contact with an MI-8 helicopter hovering 2 kilometres north of Vradina. NATO fighter aircraft shadowed the helicopter until contact was lost in the vicinity of Posusje. The unauthorized flight occurred in an area controlled by Bosnian Croats.	North-east then south-west 3,500 to 13,000 feet 130 knots
1386	4 Feb.	2105	2201	AWACS made radar contact 15 kilometres north-east of Posusje, heading north-east. Contact was lost 10 kilometres south-west of Visoko. The unauthorized flight occurred in an area controlled by Bosnian Croats.	North-east 8,000 feet 100 knots
1387	4 Feb.	2241	2343	AWACS made radar contact 20 kilometres north-east of Posusje, heading north-east. NATO fighter aircraft investigated and made visual contact with an MI-8 helicopter, which reversed heading 8 kilometres south-west of Vitez and contact was lost 10 kilometres north of Posusje. The unauthorized flight occurred in an area controlled by Bosnian Croats.	North-east then south-west 5,600 to 9,000 feet 100 knots
1388	5 Feb.	0100	0205	AWACS made radar contact 15 kilometres north-west of Posusje, heading north-east. NATO fighter aircraft investigated and made visual contact with an MI-8 helicopter, which was tracked to the Gorni Vakuf and Vitez areas before it turned south-west and headed towards Posusje. The contact was lost 5 kilometres south of Posusje. The unauthorized flight occurred in an area controlled by Bosnian Croats.	North then south 9,000 to 13,000 feet 90-115 knots
1389	5 Feb.	0710	0950	This flight began as an UNPROFOR-approved MEDEVAC of a green MI-8 helicopter with a Serb flag and a red cross from Pale to Zvornik and return. It became a violation when the United Nations military observer team was denied access to the helicopter for inspection at Zvornik. Additionally, there was another violation as the flight plan did not follow the approved schedule. The unauthorized flight occurred in an area controlled by Bosnian Serbs.	North-east then south-west Low Slow
1390	5 Feb.	1025	1045	UNPROFOR personnel observed a white helicopter with a red cross take off from Zenica, heading south-east, and it was later observed returning to Zenica and landing. The unauthorized flight occurred in an area controlled by the Government of Bosnia and Herzegovina.	South-east then north-west Low Slow

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1391	6 Feb.	0938	1110	United Nations military observers observed a white MI-17 helicopter with blue stripes and a red cross on the sides and underneath flying away from Zenica, heading south-east at low altitude. The same helicopter was later observed returning to Zenica from the south-east. The unauthorized flight occurred in an area controlled by the Government of Bosnia and Herzegovina.	South-east then north-west Low Slow
1392	6 Feb.	1147	1328	United Nations military observers observed a white MI-17 helicopter with blue stripes and a red cross on the sides and underneath, flying away from Zenica heading south-east at low altitude. The same helicopter was later seen returning to Zenica from the south-east. The unauthorized flight occurred in an area controlled by the Government of Bosnia and Herzegovina.	South-east then north-west Low Slow
1393	6 Feb.	1230	1240	United Nations military observers observed a camouflaged helicopter 5 kilometres south of Gorni Vakuf, heading south. The unauthorized flight occurred in an area controlled by Bosnian Croats.	South Medium Slow
1394	6 Feb.	1336	1359	United Nations military observers observed a white MI-8 helicopter with blue stripes and a red cross on the sides and underneath heading south-east at low altitude away from Zenica. The same helicopter was later seen returning to Zenica from the south-east. The unauthorized flight occurred in an area controlled by the Government of Bosnia and Herzegovina.	South-east then north-west Low Slow
1395	6 Feb.	1406	1530	United Nations military observers observed a white MI-17 helicopter with blue stripes and a red cross on the sides and underneath flying away from Zenica, heading south-east at low altitude. At 1430 hours, NATO fighter aircraft made and lost visual contact with a white helicopter with red crosses, 20 kilometres south-west of Vitez. At 1452 hours, NATO fighter aircraft made visual contact with a white and blue helicopter over Zenica, heading north-east and landing 6 kilometres north-east of Zenica. Shortly thereafter, the helicopter took off and landed 3 kilometres south of Zenica. The helicopter was observed returning to Zenica at 1530 hours. The unauthorized flight occurred in an area controlled by the Government of Bosnia and Herzegovina.	South-east then north-west Low Slow
1396	6 Feb.	1520	1638	United Nations military observers observed a white MI-8 helicopter with blue stripes and a red cross on the sides and underneath, heading south-east at low altitude away from Zenica. The same helicopter was later seen returning to Zenica from the south-east. The unauthorized flight occurred in an area controlled by the Government of Bosnia and Herzegovina.	North-east Low Slow
1397	6 Feb.	2033	2048	AWACS made radar contact 15 kilometres south of Vitez. NATO fighter aircraft investigated and made visual contact with a helicopter, heading north-east. Contact was lost 6 kilometres south-east of Zenica. The unauthorized flight occurred in an area controlled by Bosnian Croats.	North 9,800 feet 100 knots
1398	6 Feb.	2125	2148	AWACS made radar contact 10 kilometres north-west of Gorni Vakuf. NATO fighter aircraft investigated and made visual contact with an unidentified helicopter, heading south. Contact was lost 5 kilometres south-east of Posusje. The unauthorized flight occurred in an area controlled by Bosnian Croats.	South-west 6,000 feet 110 knots

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1399	6 Feb.	2231	2251	AWACS made radar contact 10 kilometres north-west of Posusje. A NATO fighter investigated and made visual contact with a helicopter 8 kilometres west of Prozor, heading north-east. The helicopter turned to a south-west heading and contact was lost 5 kilometres south-west of Posusje. The unauthorized flight occurred in an area controlled by Bosnian Croats.	North-east then south-west 6,000 and 10,000 feet 90 knots